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Curtain Going Up



Elise James

Dear Northwestern Alumni:

This office has not had the time to have a great case of "Spring Fever." There has been the urge to go to the banks of Chaplin's Lake, feed the ducks, and wonder where those beautiful soft, white clouds are going. And I am not going to say I haven't done that once this spring.

But work is fun, too, and this is what has been going on. In January we had former Demon Basketball players back to the campus to visit and attend a Demon ball game. San Antonio was the site of an Alumni Party for Northwestern people that attended the Texas State Music Conference. We always host the Alumni returning for the Military Ball and this year it was in February.

This office helped the Academic Decathlon by purchasing the plaques for the event. It is great to have those young bright minds visit our beautiful campus.

In all that I read about Alumni work one thing that stands out is that you need to involve students when they are on campus and they will be good Alumni when they graduate. So to prepare our students of today to be there for us in the years ahead I visited dorms to talk about our office and what we do. Also, this summer when Freshman Connection takes place incoming Freshman get registered and oriented-the Alumni Association will present them buttons saying "Welcome-Class of 1995."

The Education Department has each year a day that they invite high school seniors on campus that are interested in becoming teachers. Each year we have worked with Sarah Katherine Ahrens who, by the way, does a great job with this program, by paying to feed the group.

Job Fair was so ably organized by Frances Conine to bring recruiters on campus to recruit our students. And we assisted by serving a noon meal by the Association. These teacher recruiters come back each year waiting for Gene Knecht's Jambalaya.

April brings back the baseball and softball Alumni to reunions to reminisce about old times.

We assist the Chemistry Department each year with their Chemquest Program by purchasing their prizes. The top chemistry students from high schools attend this competition.

Winding down a very busy spring are two last events that have grown so much. On the last Saturday of April we had our 9th Annual Chris Roper Golf Tournament. Chris was on the golf team and was the top golfer in 1981. He was killed in a traffic accident over the Christmas Holidays in 1982. Each year his family and friends come back to remember Chris and raise money for the golf team.

Last, but certainly so important in May we host the 50-Year Reunion. This year the Class of 1941 will return to campus to attend a reception and receive their 2nd Diploma from Northwestern.

This office is so proud and happy to be a part of organizing or assisting with all of the above events.

Now let us see what we can find to do this summer.

Sincerely yours,

Elise P. James

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Office Of The President Northwestern State University

Dear NSU Alumni:

The 1990-91 school year closed on an upbeat note at Northwestern. More than 300 students were recognized during the largest Academic Honors Banquet in the university's history. Participation in that event reflects the increased emphasis on academic excellence at Northwestern and the improved scholastic skills of NSU students.

Northwestern is proud of its record-setting enrollments in recent years, but even more significant than the registration increases is the continuing improvement of incoming students' scores on national entrance examinations.

I cited a number of academic advancements at the university in the last Alumni Columns, and those achievements are continuing. Northwestern's debate team received national attention recently when it was presented the Brady Lee Garrison Newcomer Award as the best new debate team in the country.

Also, several students in NSU's theatre program have competed successfully for parts in summer stock against students from throughout the nation and will be engaged in stage production across the United States this summer.

Northwestern continues to bring leaders from every segment of society to the university to complement the classroom experiences of students. Speakers at the university this spring included author Alex Haley and Dr. Robert Ballard, who led the expedition that discovered the Titanic. Opera star Roberta Peters performed as part of the NSU Concert Series. Visitors for the fall will include CNN correspondent John Holliman, who was seen on live broadcasts from Iraq the night the war started in the Persian Gulf, and Richard Leakey of Kenya, one of the world's foremost anthropologists.

There is also a lot of good news in non-academic areas at Northwestern. Spring sports teams enjoyed unusual success, bringing favorable statewide and national attention to the university.

Applications for admission to Northwestern are running ahead of last year, when the institution had the largest enrollment in its history. So these are exciting times at your Alma Mater and next year promises to be even more exhilarating and rewarding.

Thank you for your continued support of Northwestern, and please accept this open invitation to visit the campus any time you can.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Alost
President



Robert Alost

Curtain Going Up On Theatre Program



Teaching acting appears simple. Getting the proper results can be difficult, according to Dr. Jack Wann, artistic director of Northwestern's theatre program.

"Acting is simple. It's talking and listening. But it's really talking and really listening. And that's the hardest thing in the

world," said Wann, explaining what he does in teaching theatre to NSU students.

The students at Northwestern appear to be listening the way Wann wants them to. In just nine months under Wann's guidance, NSU's theatre program has grown from a small group to around 60 active students competing for parts in each production. That initial growth is just the first step.

"There's no reason to believe that we can't be the best undergraduate theatre program in the South in very short order," said Wann. "These kids are ready. They want to do it and if we don't drop the ball, we will have something really special."

Prior to coming to NSU, Wann built a theatre program at Northern Kentucky University that was one of the top programs in its region. He had been at the university for 15 years and had no desire to leave. The persistence from administrators at Northwestern made him want to come to Natchitoches.

"It started several seasons ago when they had the Horsecave Theatre here and they did a season of shows. I had worked with Warren Hammock, who was the executive director, and he told (NSU President) Dr. (Robert) Allost that they needed someone here who could develop the program and he recommended me," said Wann.

Two years ago, Wann came to NSU for a month as a consultant to develop a five-year plan for building a strong theatre program.

"I had no eye on coming, then they asked me to come back to direct the musical *Carnival*, said Wann. "It was successful. Then they kept after me asking, 'What things do we need to do?' I'd say it and they'd do it. And they kept asking me, 'Are you interested in coming here?' It became the kind of thing where I thought 'My goodness. If they're that eager to have a first-class program, that's a place I'd like to be', so I agreed I would come here."



Student, actor, and master carpenter Steven McCormick works on the set construction of *As You Like It*. Over 2,500 drywall screws fastened together enough lumber to construct a small house.



Melissa Trumble is shown working on her costume for the part of "Audrey" in a recent production of *As You Like It*. Trumble is from New Orleans and is a senior in the Scholars' College.



Working in the costume shop are Stephanie Johnson from Baton Rouge and shop foreman April Brown from Lake Charles. Not only do they make costumes, but they often have to wear them on stage.



Advertising design major Jeff Breaux gets practical experience by designing the poster and program for *As You Like It*.

The character "Oliver," (as portrayed by Stephen Norwood) delivers his soliloquy during a performance of Shakespeare's *As You Like It*.

NSU Theatre

Wann's hiring caused a stir among students involved in the theatre program.

"It was exciting to learn that he (Wann) would be coming here. It was obvious when he was here for *Carnival* that he was an excellent instructor," said graduating senior Marlene Canfield, who played the female lead Rosalind in the April production of Shakespeare's *As You Like It*. "I hate that he wasn't here when I was a freshman."

The improvement in the theatre program has had a big impact on students in the program.

"I always had an interest in theatre. Now I know this is what I'll be doing for the rest of my life," said junior Jeremy Passut of Ft. Polk, who played the male lead, Orlando, in *As You Like It*. "I've been exposed to something I didn't know one iota about. I feel confident about what I can do in the future."

Natchitoches may not seem like a place to build a first-class theatre program, but Wann believes Natchitoches has many strong points he can use.

"This is a very culturally alive community," said Wann. "There is an enormous interest in arts and crafts. It seems every restaurant and store has paintings and works of local artists. The South has a rich tradition in artistic sensibilities. The interest and artistic sense is here."

Along with class work and taking part in plays, Wann has encouraged students to take part in auditions and workshops around the region. He's taken students to major auditions in St. Louis to help them get work in summer productions around the country.

"Theatre is like a gigantic lab where what you learn in the classroom is applied in the trenches in a production. It's an ongoing thing, going out of town to auditions," said Wann. "I'm amazed the way the kids have taken to it because they've had to take my word on a lot of

stuff until they get a year or two under their belt and they find out going to St. Louis to audition is worth doing. They did it and found out why."

One offshoot of the auditions is that many NSU students will be working in summer productions.



Campus News

"A lot of companies are inquiring about our kids and the fact we will have so many kids working in summer stock is phenomenal," said Wann. "To have so many kids competing for jobs in our first year, and competing with kids from programs that have been sending kids for years, is exceptional."



From set building to acting, Steven McCormick appears in a scene with fellow actors Christopher Lund, Damion Domanque and Kent LaBorde from *As You Like It*.

Wann has taken advantage of his connections in theatre circles to bring in actors with extensive Broadway and commercial experience to conduct workshops for students.

"We have no mountain here, so we have to bring the mountain to Mo-hammed," said Wann. "We've budgeted money to bring New York and Los Angeles professionals here to show that it's possible to earn a living and make a career. We want people who will interact with the kids and coach them and work with them. This gives our kids a contact file so that when they show up in New York or Los Angeles, they can call someone who can help them. It's a tremendous advantage."

The workshops have been a success with the students.

"It's very helpful to get different ideas and opinions besides Dr. Wann's," said junior Lynn Gilcrease of Mt. Solon, VA, who has been in six NSU Theatre productions including a lead part in *As You Like It*. "They give us a lot of practical information. We do mock auditions and are able to get feedback from different sources."

Future plans include adding a bachelor's program in theatre to replace the speech degree with an emphasis in theatre. Wann also wants to add additional faculty as the program grows.

Wann has made nearly 40 recruiting trips throughout Louisiana and Texas to attract incoming students into the program.

That will mean tougher competition for parts in productions.

"The extra competition will be good," said Gilcrease. "You need to be pushed to keep learning and to get better."

Wann believes there are enough talented students in the region to build the type of program he envisions.

"I teach that everybody comes from somewhere. You can come from a small town lacking a theatre program and that can be an advantage," he said. "Some of the worst kids I've had have been from Performing Arts High Schools. They were so full of themselves with a lot of glitzy moves."

"The first thing you have to do is know yourself and who you are and those kids couldn't begin to know that. A clean slate can be your best weapon because then someone can steer you right. That can be an advantage. Talent can show up anywhere."

With Wann in charge, plenty of that talent is headed Northwestern's way.

Appearing in a scene from *As You Like It* are Marlene Canfield, Lynn Gilcrease and Melissa Trumble.

Solving little problems before they become big problems is one of the major aspects of counseling and Northwestern has a master's program that can provide counselors to help solve many of the problems affecting society.

Currently, the program is working to fill a demand for counselors in Louisiana created by a state law to require counselors in each school.

"In elementary schools, counselors work on prevention, what is called intrusive counseling," said Dr. Pam Newman, a faculty member in the master's program. "On the elementary level we try to intrude to solve problems."

By intruding to solve problems, counselors hope they can steer students away from problems such as drug abuse.

"We have identified the main reason people use drugs. It's because they lack social skills," said Newman. "We used to think it was a lack of self-esteem. But if you don't feel comfortable with yourself, it's hard to form relationships with people. The lack of that is a major predictor."

Part of teaching youngsters to develop social skills is to make them understand that being different isn't bad.

Counseling is More

"Being tolerant is part of developing interpersonal relationships," said Newman. "We talk about being tolerant of people who are different and appreciate people who dress differently and see things differently. We tell them what a dull world it would be if everyone thought the same."

State law requires counselors to have at least three years' experience to be certified as a counselor. While going through the program, counseling students get extensive opportunities to work with students in their preferred age group.

"We work with students in small observation groups and watch them through a two-way mirror and critique them. That's a big help to them," said Newman.

Teaching children to make decisions is an important element of counseling.

"We put them through a lot of situations and ask them 'What would they do if this happened? Or what would happen here?'" said Newman. "If they encounter certain situations even if it's not a real situation, they will be better prepared when it's a real situation. We try to teach them to think things through before they happen instead of acting

European Study Supported By Research Grant



Jean D'Amato

Jean D'Amato, associate professor in the Louisiana Scholars' College at Northwestern State University, has been awarded a grant by the American Philosophical Society.

The grant will allow D'Amato to pursue research on antiquari-

anism in the Phlegræan Fields, an area northwest of Naples. D'Amato hopes to complete her research and begin work on a book "The Phlegræan Fields: Study in Antiquarian Tradition."

D'Amato has also recently received

grants from the NSU CURIA research fund and the National Endowment for the Humanities "Travel to Collections" grant program.

The American Philosophical Society, founded by Benjamin Franklin in 1743, is

the oldest existing learned society in the United States.

The Society was founded "for the promotion of useful knowledge among the British plantations in America." It was modeled on the Royal Society of London.

han Class Scheduling

and then trying to solve the problem.”

Another factor counselors have to consider is that problems involve more than just the children.

“In crisis intervention, the student and the family are involved,” said Newman. “A lot of academic problems start on the school bus, at home or on the playground. What counselors try to do is find the root of the problem and solve it.”

Another important element of counseling is assisting students in choosing a career. To help students make those choices, counselors must make sure students are exposed to as many options as possible.

“There are a vast number of occupations out there and if a child is from a poor socioeconomic background, you may have to broaden his horizons,” said Newman. “They may not know people who are doctors, lawyers or bankers. So by exposing them to people in those professions, you expose them to things they haven’t thought about.”

The curriculum at Northwestern is difficult, but the tough curriculum prepares people for what can be a difficult, demanding job.

“We have quality faculty here. The students have rigorous standards they have to meet,” said Newman. “We want people who are interested in counseling and are dedicated. You have to be people oriented because when you enter someone’s life, you have a commitment.”

“I never thought I would be a good salesperson, but I believe I could sell this profession because of the impact it has.”

Newman doesn’t see the demand for counselors waning in the future. Much of that is because people’s attitude about seeking help has changed.

“Many years ago, people didn’t go to other people for help because it was thought if you did, you must have some deep-rooted problem. And you didn’t want to be labeled as someone with a problem,” said Newman. “Now with the problems we have, crime and drugs, many of them seem to be socially related. With more education about intervention, we can get at these problems; but it will take years to address.”

*F*or alumnus Randy Brodnax, the potters’ wheel has become his wheel of fortune. Fortune, in the sense that it has showcased the wealth of his talent both as an artist and teacher. Recently, both of these talents were experienced by a number of art students during a two-day workshop held in the pottery lab, housed in Northwestern’s Creative and Performing Arts Center.

Now teaching on the art faculty at Ceder Valley College, Lancaster, Texas; Brodnax regularly exhibits his pottery in the Dallas market area.

During the workshop, Brodnax’s monologue went from his undergraduate years as an All-American center on the Demon football team to the current discipline of his craft. From monologue into dialogue, the workshop gave students the opportunity to work with a master craftsman in the art of pottery.





President Robert Alost with Mr. Paul Lantham, Manager of NERCO Oil & Gas, Black Lake Unit and Dr. Grady Balanger, Director of the Louisiana Scholars' College at Northwestern.

Northwestern State University has recently received a \$5,000 grant from the PacifiCorp Foundation on behalf of NERCO Oil & Gas. PacifiCorp indirectly owns approximately 82 percent of NERCO, Inc., a major North American natural resource company, which wholly owns NERCO Oil & Gas. The grant is intended to provide funds to purchase instructional equipment for the Louisiana Scholars' College at NSU.

Established by the Louisiana Board of Regents on the Northwestern campus in 1987, the Scholars' College attracts some of Louisiana's brightest students. They are placed in a demanding program of academic achievement intended to provide the best liberal arts education available in the area.

NERCO's purpose in making the donation is to highlight the value of education in the Natchitoches community and to assist NSU in furthering the goals of education in North Louisiana. NERCO either directly or indirectly employs more than 100 people in Natchitoches Parish, including several Northwestern graduates.

NEH Grant Received

Daniela M. Halliburton, a junior in the Louisiana Scholars' College at Northwestern State University, has received a grant of \$2,200 from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Halliburton, who is from Alexandria, re-

ceived an NEH Younger Scholars grant for a study project titled "Women and Social Mores in Kate Chopin's Cane River Fiction."

A total of five Louisiana students received the grants that will en-

able them to conduct independent research and writing projects this summer. Across the nation, 87 college students and 49 high school students received grants from a total of 823 eligible applications.

J. Walter Porter Forum

Northwestern State University's Division of Business sponsored the 25th annual J. Walter Porter Forum on April 17 in the A.A. Fredericks Creative and Performing Arts Center.

The luncheon speaker was Robert Easley, Director of Procurement for NASA at the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center in Houston. Easley received his bachelor's and master's degrees in business from Northwestern.

Easley is responsible for providing procurement and contract management support to the Johnson Space Center and the White Sands JSC's, which totals approximately \$2.9 billion annually. He is also responsible for labor management relations programs between organized labor and contractor organizations associated with the Center.

Speakers at the 9 a.m. sessions included Patsy Black, sales representative with Southwestern Publishing Company. Black spoke on "The Business of Etiquette" in the Band Room of the Performing Arts Center.

Leon Brown, editor and publisher of the Baytown Sun and a vice president of Southern Newspapers Inc., spoke in the Magale Recital Hall on "Newspapering in the 90s."

A reception was held in the Orville J. Hanchey Art Gallery. Following the reception, Russell Danzy, controller of ConAgra's Broiler Division, spoke on the subject "Expectations of the Future in the Food Industry."

Johnnie Varnado, owner and president of Kazette Enterprises, addressed "Writing a Business Plan For the Future."

The Porter Forum was also sponsored by an endowment established by the friends and family of Porter in recognition of his interest in improving the image of business as a career field for college students and in recognition of his concern for moral and ethical standards as expressed in his philosophy of business.

The Forum was directed by Dorothy Washington of NSU's Division of Business and Margaret Kilcoyne, project director of NSU's Department of Cooperative Education.

The Watson Library Archives

The image of an archivist is of an older woman who spends her time hunched over old, dusty documents that no one else ever sees. Northwestern archivist Mary Bandaries has a different view of what archives are about.

Image

"That image of an archivist is far from reality," said Bandaries. "To be an archivist, you have to be people oriented. The only reason collections exist is because people decided to save important documents and important books and eventually donated them to the library."

Collection

The archives collection is housed in the Cammie Henry Research Center, located on the third floor of Northwestern's Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library. The research center is a culmination of a book collection, a rare book collection, manuscript collection, and university records along with many published and unpublished works that can't be found anywhere else.

Goal

"The goal of the collection is to collect anything dealing with north Louisiana and more specifically anything pertaining to Natchitoches and the five parishes surrounding it," said Bandaries. "We look for books about Louisiana or by Louisiana authors and constantly seek older records pertaining to Natchitoches and the area."

Seeking

"We're also seeking university records and anything pertaining to the university as Louisiana Normal College. There's currently a movement to research Normal Colleges and the roles they played in educating females."



The Louisiana Room of the Watson Library is used as the archives reading and research area.



Receiving the Irma Sompayrac Willard collection is archivist Mary Bandaries. The new collection will be processed this fall by students who will be taking an archives course.



Pictured are donated collections after they have been processed by the archivist.



Traveling from Baton Rouge to conduct genealogical research in the Watson Library is Mrs. Lerlind Hanchey, member of the state archives commission and past president of the Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society.

Research

The Research Center is used frequently by authors and researchers working on projects as well as by students. It's also used by students working on research papers and by persons looking for particular items from the past.

"A lot of alumni or children of alumni use the archives," said Bandaries. "Someone may come in and find a picture of a parent or grandparent when they were young that they don't have from that time period that we can get reproduced. It's exciting to see that. We keep old programs and statistics from athletic events, so former athletes can come in and look up their statistics and find out if they were as good as they thought they were."

Genealogist

Genealogists also use the Research Center extensively. "We had a lot of genealogists here last summer tracing their families from the East Coast to Texas," said Bandaries. "They wanted to know what their families were doing in Louisiana and since the roads through this area were well-traveled, we showed them court documents and newspaper clippings that could give them a clue as to whether their ancestors traveled through here or not. And that might supply a missing piece."

Photographs

The archives also contain photographs of many old homes in Natchitoches. "We have a lot of old photographs of homes in Natchitoches and those can be useful when residents buy a home in the Historical District and they want to see what it looked like so they can be sure that they are changing it the right way," said Bandaries.

Receiving

Receiving a collection that can prove to be valuable to future researchers can require a bit of luck. And even when a collection arrives, the archivists can never be sure what they've gotten their hands on.

"Sometimes we've been astounded when we get a new collection," said Bandaries. "It's like Christmas. We never know exactly what we're going to get."

"If we know of a particular collection out there, we try to encourage people to donate it. With some, it's an ongoing project. Other times people just walk in with an old family bible or some old photographs and they want to put them in a central place."

Melrose

The heart of the archives is the Melrose Collection, donated by Cammie Henry. Henry, whose maiden name was Garrett, was a student at Louisiana Normal College. The Melrose Collection is a collection containing many rare books. In addition, it houses 250 scrapbooks of 250-300 pages covered

with newspaper clippings and approximately 1400 folders filled with correspondence between Henry and writers she followed. It also contains 120 bound volumes of pamphlets on education.

"People are unaware of the importance of this collection," said Bandaries.

Archaeology

Another important collection that the center has acquired in recent years is a collection of archaeological books left by Dr. Clarence Webb.

"We had been working with Dr. Webb but we never knew how much

material there was until we started pulling it together," said Bandaries. "It's amazing that he had so much energy to collect and so much generosity to give — and students are using it again and again. This collection will go up and up."

Newspapers

The archives also include many area newspapers, most of which folded many years ago. Names such as the *Natchitoches Courier*, *Natchitoches Enterprise*, and *People's Vindicator* are kept in the archives.

Unusual

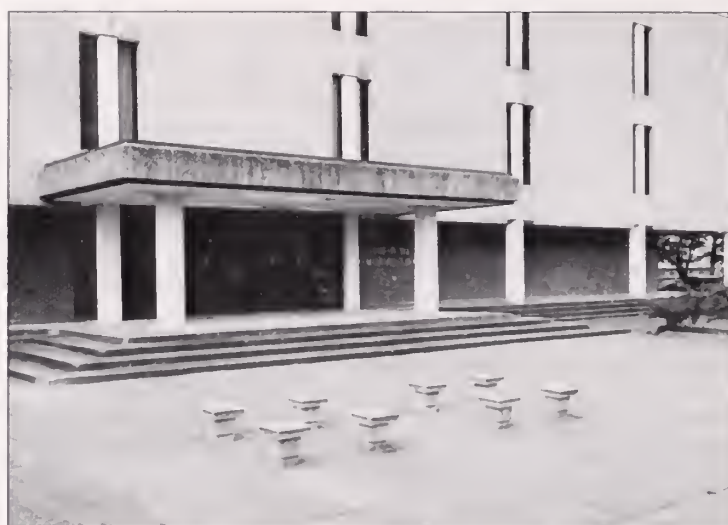
There are also some items that are a bit unusual such as a hair book that was part of the Meacham Collection.

"It's a collection of locks of hair from a family from into the 1700's," explains Bandaries. "It starts out with the hair of French settlers that was dark and as they marry into the Anglo-Saxon Irish families it gets lighter. Then we also have shoes and other little odds and ends that you never see much of."

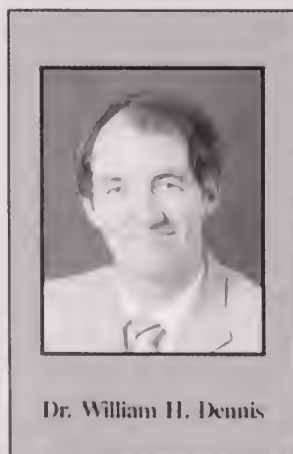
Find

One thing that makes the archives exciting to Bandaries is the knowledge that the next exciting find could come through the door at any time.

"I don't think of this as a job," she said. "I don't know what little jewel we'll receive next that I can't believe exists. That's what makes this such a fascinating field."



Entrance to Northwestern's Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library. The archives division of the library is housed on the third floor.



Dr. William H. Dennis

Dr. William H. Dennis, professor of Industrial Technology at Northwestern State University, has received a grant of \$16,183 in federal vocational funds to develop a manual entitled "General Safety and Health Manual for Technical, Vocational, and Technology Programs." The manual will be used in the state of Louisiana.

The new manual will update his 1982 safety manual and will include the latest information in occupational safety and health.

In the manual, Dennis will discuss basic occupational and safety information, and give current facts about hazardous materials and the dangers of asbestos. In addition, he will explain the recent lock-out/tag-out requirements in industry and business, instructor and administrator liability, and ways to reduce litigation in schools and institutes.

To develop the manual, Dennis will consult with safety professionals and labor representatives from various industries.



Melba Law Steeg flies high as New Orleans business leader

She has been a flyer since her first flight at the age of nine, but Melba Law Steeg is better known for her business successes and her community service in the New Orleans area.

A native of Mansfield, Melba Law graduated from Northwestern State College in 1945 with a B.A. in Education, and promptly moved to New Orleans. She worked in the legal department of Gulf Oil for 26 years. She married the late A.L. Shushan, Sr., and, following his death, was married to Moise S. Steeg, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Steeg formed Investment and Developing, Inc., a commercial and residential real estate development and financing corporation.

Mrs. Steeg's numerous board memberships include: Chairman of the Greater New Orleans Marketing committee; Chairman of the Aviation committee, and the Transportation Committee of The Chamber, New Orleans and The River Region; National Conference of Christians and Jews, New Orleans, Louisiana Board; National Conference of Christians and Jews, National board; Caroline Dorman Nature Preserve, Natchitoches, Louisiana; and the Mayor's Super Bowl Task Force, New Orleans, Louisiana. She also

serves as Advisor-Consultant to the Ellender Foundation for Medical Research (she was one of the founders), New Orleans; and the Touro Infirmary Gerontology Committee, New Orleans.

Melba Steeg has also been active in tourism circles. She has been a board member of the Greater New Orleans Tourist and Convention Commission and served as Chairman of the Board and President of that organization.

While some are content simply to join organizations, Mrs. Steeg dives in and gets things done. Her abilities have been officially recognized many times, and she has been the first woman in several of the offices she has held. Her many awards run from being listed as one of New Orleans' best dressed women to the Humanitarian Award from The National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Disease, the Weiss Brotherhood Award by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Volunteer Fund Raiser Award (jointly with her husband) from the National Society of Fund Raising Executives, and the Hornblower Award by the Greater New Orleans Tourist & Convention Commission.

Mrs. Steeg is listed in The Women's Who's Who in the South and Southwest and International Who's Who of Women.



Dale Sibley

Dale Sibley Enjoys The "Creative Process" In His Work

The new Director of Economic Development in Shreveport has no staff, no budget, and often has to explain to other city workers who he is. That's understandable, though, when you realize that the position was created for Dale Sibley, the current director, in January of this year.

"I like to create things," said Sibley. "I guess that's why I took this job when Mayor (Hazel) Beard offered it."

A 1980 graduate of NSU with a B.A. in Sociology, Sibley has faced the creative process before. When he worked as the district manager to U.S. Congressman Jim McCrery he had to set up the office and decide how to run it. In his current job he is charged with bringing new business into Shreveport, advising the mayor on incentives which can be offered to businesses, and interceding with city agencies on behalf of local businesses.

Being in a leadership role should come naturally to Sibley. While at NSU (1976-80), he was the first vice-president of the Student Union Board, president of NSU's Leadership Program, and regional officer of Omega Psi Phi fraternity. He also participated on the debate team and in intramural sports. Northwestern almost missed out on Sibley's contributions, though. In fact, he says attending NSU was a last-minute decision.

"I had been accepted to a small liberal arts college in Pennsylvania and was planning to go there. I grew up in Leesville and was one of 12 children. Pennsylvania sounded cold and far away, and I didn't really want to be one of

only three or four black students on campus."

When NSU offered a scholarship, that was all it took to get him headed toward Natchitoches.

"I did catch some ribbing from my brothers and sisters," Sibley said.

He is number seven (out of 12—six girls and six boys). The first six children all attended Southern University, two others followed him to NSU, and one strayed to LSU.

Following graduation, Sibley spent four years in the Army, serving a year in Korea and then being stationed at Ft. Campbell in the 101st. When offered a scholarship to West Point, he faced the prospect of a career in the military. Tulane Law School came through with a scholarship offer of its own, and Sibley resigned with the rank of captain to enter law school.

He put in a brief stint as assistant district attorney in Vernon Parish before joining Congressman McCrery's staff.

His wife, Donna, is from Ocala, Florida. Although his new post keeps him busy, Sibley makes time for the three girls in his house—his two daughters and a stepdaughter. He also enjoys tennis, softball, and writing essays and poetry.

"I really love the Northwestern campus," said Sibley. "I try to get by there whenever I can, and I have taken my girls to see the Christmas lights a couple of times."

Sibley's best memories of school days at Northwestern are of the friendships he enjoyed through his fraternity. When he moved to Shreveport, he drew upon some of the people he had known at Northwestern.

"Even though my brothers and sisters sometimes still kid me about going to Northwestern," said Sibley, "I don't regret it for a minute. I really enjoyed campus life at NSU."

49 Pat Hardee is employed at Chisholm Elementary School as a Special Education teacher. While attending Northwestern, Mrs. Hardee was involved in Pi Kappa Delta and the Purple Jackets. She presently resides in New Smyrna Beach, Florida.

51 Betty Jo Meseralo is presently retired and now resides in Marlton, New Jersey.

Donald J. Ray is now retired from the Chevron Chemical Company as the systems development coordinator. While attending Northwestern he was involved in Phi Kappa Nu. Mr. Ray lives in Concord, California, with his wife Daisy.

54 James Ronald Quinn lives in Columbia, South Carolina with his wife, Genie, (NSU '54). He is presently the Dean of Graduate School at South Carolina State College. Mr. Quinn was involved in various activities while attending Northwestern such as the Student Government.

57 Henry H. Walton is now retired as an Assistant Professor and Swim Coach at Arkansas-Tech University. He lives in Russellville, Arkansas, with his wife Marilyn. While attending Northwestern Mr. Walton was involved in the Gym Team and was a swimming letterman.

62 Lavon Pruitt is employed at the Catholic Diocese as the Child Nutrition Supervisor. She is a mother of two children and presently lives in Shreveport, Louisiana. While attending Northwestern she was involved in the Home Economics Club and the Wesley Foundation.

64 Martha Trinko is employed as an accompanist and teacher at Loyola University College of Music. She was in TAWS, Euthentics, and Chorus while attending Northwestern. Ms. Trinko is the mother of two children and lives in Gretna, Louisiana.

65 Eva James is the Librarian and Assistant Principal at the Sacred Heart Elementary School. She is the mother of two children and presently lives in Ville Platte, Louisiana.

66 Patty Barnett is a third grade teacher at Plain Dealing Elementary School. She was involved in SLTA while attending Northwestern. Mrs. Barnett lives in Plain Dealing, Louisiana with her husband, Jerry. She is the mother of two children.

Larry Fisher is the president of Fisher Business Systems, Inc. This company pro-

vides computer-based point of sale accounting systems to the restaurant industry.

While attending Northwestern, he was a drummer in the band and was a member of the tennis team. He lives in Marietta, GA, with his wife and three children.

67 Janene Davis is the Supervisor and Nurse Audit at Brackenridge Hospital. She presently resides in Cedar Park, Texas with her husband, Rod.

Laurence Fuglaar is a teacher at the Holy Cross School. He lives in Harvey, Louisiana, with his wife, Deeann, (NSU '68).

68 Diane Bates has just been named the Director of Marketing for COIN Systems, Inc., a metro Atlanta automotive computer company. While at Northwestern, she was editor of the Current Sauce, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and an officer of Sigma Tau Delta and Alpha Lambda Delta. Mrs. Bates lives in Lilburn, Georgia, with her husband, G. Lamar Bates, and her two children.

Daniel Sullivan is the Executive Vice President of the Louisiana Civil Service League. He and his wife, Camille, presently reside in New Orleans, Louisiana with their two children.

69 Bill Fowler is the manager at The Prudential. He presently resides in Ouachita, Louisiana with his wife, Charlene, (NSU '69).

70 Effie Hollis presently resides in Norcross, Georgia.

71 Rayetta Thompson is the Supervisor at the Rapides Office of Family Support. She lives in Alexandria, Louisiana, with her husband, Monroe, (NSU '72).

73 Sharon Kinard Shelder lives in Pineville, Louisiana with her husband and two children.

74 J. Marty Gendron is employed as a teacher at the MSD Lawrence Township. While attending Northwestern he was involved in the Political Science Club and the Young Republicans. He lives in Indianapolis, Indiana, and is the father of three children. His 24-year-old son, Tony, is presently serving with the 24ID (MECH) in Saudi Arabia.

76 Mary Coble lives in Lewisville, Texas with her husband, Steve, and three children. While attending Northwestern she was involved in the Art Club.

Ingrid Jenkins is a Kindergarten teacher at Waynesboro Elementary School. In 1989-90 she was selected as Educator of the Year. She presently resides in Martinez, Georgia.

Dennis Rogers lives in Metairie, Louisiana.

77 William D. York is the Associate Chief in the Department of Veterans' Affairs. He presently resides in Biloxi, Mississippi, with his wife.

78 Suzanne Dunn is an Accounting and Business Instructor at the Delta Career College. She was involved in the Accounting Club while attending Northwestern. She lives in Alexandria, Louisiana with her husband, Francis, and her two children.

Beverly Rainbolt is a Substance Abuse Counselor at the DePaul Hospital and she is also a freelance writer. Mrs. Rainbolt presently lives in New Orleans, Louisiana, with her husband, Michael.

79 Randy Johnson is the Assistant Principal and Head Football coach at St. John High School. While attending NSU he was involved in football. Mr. Johnson lives in Chalmette, Louisiana, with his wife, Jo Ann, and three children.

80 Janice Peters is a Business teacher at the Grant Parish School Board. While attending NSU, she was involved in Pi Omega Pi. She presently lives in Pineville, Louisiana with her husband, Anthony, and her two children.

81 John Gardner is the Curriculum Coordinator at the Caddo Parish School Board. He was involved in Band and L.A.E.-S.P. while attending Northwestern. He presently lives in Shreveport, Louisiana, with his wife, Mary Jane.

Ronald Gordon is the Associate Project Coordinator at the Healthcare Environment Design/Baylor University Medical Center. He was the Co-Chairman of Tae Kwon Do Club and also served on the Entertainment committee. He presently lives in Dallas, Texas, with his wife, Bernadine, and four children.

Anthony Miller is the Buyer at the Chevron Corporation. He was involved in the marching band while attending Northwestern. He presently resides in New Orleans, Louisiana.

82 Walter Mays was involved in S.A.M. and the Fellowship of Christian Ath-

Northwestern graduate Donnie Holland killed in Operation Desert Storm



As a student at Northwestern from 1966 to 1970, Donnie Holland studied education. After teaching only a few years he discovered his real love—flying. He joined the Air Force, flew F-4 and F-15 fighters, and served his country throughout the world.

On January 16, 1991, Lt. Col. Donnie Holland was one of the first U.S. pilots engaged in combat over Baghdad. The next day, January 17, his F-15E didn't return from its bombing mission. His was the second aircraft to go down in combat in the war. Donnie was listed as missing in action for two months before his death was confirmed.

Holland graduated from Bastrop (La.) High School in 1966 and from Northwestern in 1970. He taught in Lake Charles, at French High School in Beaumont, Texas, and at Alexandria-Senior High in Alexandria, La.

After joining the Air Force, he was sent to Officer Training School, became a pilot, and was stationed in England, Germany, and in Florida. He served as an exchange pilot on a tour

with the Royal Air Force, flying the F-4 in Scotland. He also served a staff tour with Headquarters Tactical Air Command at Langley Air Force Base at Hampton, Va.

After being stationed at Seymour Johnson AFB, he was sent to Luke AFB in Phoenix to train in the Air Force's premier fighter, the F-15 Eagle.

Lt. Col. Holland is survived by his wife, Cindy, and his children, Heather, 14, and Matthew, 12. The Hollands live in Goldsboro, N.C., where Donnie was assigned to the 335th Tactical Fighter Squadron based at Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base. The Donnie R. Holland Memorial fund has been set up for the children in care of Wachovia Bank and Trust, Seymour-Johnson Branch, Goldsboro, NC., 27533.

Lt. Col. Holland was buried next to his grandfather, in Hamburg, Ark., 37 miles from his hometown in Bastrop.

letes while attending Northwestern. He presently lives in Nolensville, Tennessee, with his wife, Vera, (NSU '83), and two children.

84 Annette Richardson is a teacher at Tioga Junior High. She presently lives in Tioga, Louisiana, with her husband, Stephen.

85 Deborah J. Rodzen lives in South Hadley, Maryland.

Lisa Franklin is a teacher at Polk Elementary School. She lives in Anacoco, Louisiana, with her husband, Greg.

Sandy Joiner is a Documentation Engineer at Northern Telecom. She was involved in D.P.M.A. and the Baptist Student Union while attending Northwestern. Mrs. Joiner presently lives in Apex, North Carolina, with her husband, Thomas.

John Keith Ray is the manager at American General Finance. He presently lives in New Orleans, Louisiana.

86 Susan Ross is a Programmer for Systemhouse Inc. She presently lives in Sacramento, California.

87 Tommy Moore is a middle school band director. He lives in Henderson, Texas, with his wife, Lisa (NSU '89).

89 Randall Crow works in Financial Marketing at the Union National Bank. He was the Kappa Alpha Order president, a NSU Yell Leader, and was a member of Blue Key while attending Northwestern. He presently lives in Little Rock, Arkansas.

David DeCuir is the Customer Sales Representative at US Agencies and is the Seminar spokesman for Dress for Success. While attending Northwestern he was involved in SGA, FCS, SAB, Student Ambassador, Phi Beta Lambda, and Chi Alpha. He lives in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Louis Robinett is a Band Director at Joshua Middle School. He presently lives in Arlington, Texas, with his wife, Meredith.

90 Pamela Carver lives in Anacoco, Louisiana, with her husband, William, (NSU '72).

Rosezila Cofield lives in Natchitoches, Louisiana, with her husband, Ronald.

Briana Daniels lives in Natchitoches, Louisiana.

Frederick Ebad lives in Zwolle, Louisiana, with his wife, Evonne.

Mary Evans presently resides in Hornbeck, Louisiana.

Angela Griffiths lives in Anacoco, Louisiana, with her husband, Scott. She is a second grade teacher at West Leesville Elementary School.

Daniel Hellman is a teacher in Houma, Louisiana.

Carol Hood lives in Saline, Louisiana, with her husband, Terry.

Trecia Ingram lives in Zwolle, Louisiana, with her husband, James, (NSU '72).

Jill Jenkins is a Math and PE teacher at Bellmont High School. She presently lives in Ft. Recovery, Ohio.

Deborah Joyner presently lives in Mansfield, Louisiana, with her husband, Barry.

Todd Keenan is the Manager trainee for UNTOG. While attending Northwestern he was involved in the rowing team and Kappa Sigma. He presently lives in Dallas, Texas.

Dickey Marze lives in Anacoco, Louisiana, with his wife, Valerie.

Paula Murphy lives in Dry Prong, Louisiana, with her husband, Anthony.

Peggy Phillips presently resides in Natchitoches, Louisiana, with her husband, David.

Elton Savell lives in Negreet, Louisiana, with his wife, Darlene.

Louis Chopin Cusachs has attended the U.S. Naval Academy and received his Ph.D. from Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois and a Dipome d'Etudes Superieures from the University of Paris. He is presently working on receiving a Masters of Divinity from the Houston Graduate School of Theology in 1991. He presently lives in Houston, Texas.

Amanda Friedman is a realtor-associate for Howard Hanna Real Estate Services. She lives in Naples, Florida.

Jim Maxwell lives in Racine, Wisconsin.

Navy Commander John R. Miller recently assumed the duties as Commanding Officer of Patrol Squadron 11, Naval Air Station, Brunswick, Maine.

Bob Sitton lives in Nacogdoches, Texas, where he is employed at the Stephen F. Austin Alumni Association.

Pam Towery is a Band Director at Santa Fe Public Schools. She lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

David B. Williams is Professor of Music and Assistant Dean of Fine Arts at Illinois State University. Dr. Williams is the editor of the journal, Psychomusicology, and has published articles in most of the major music education journals and psychomusicology journals.

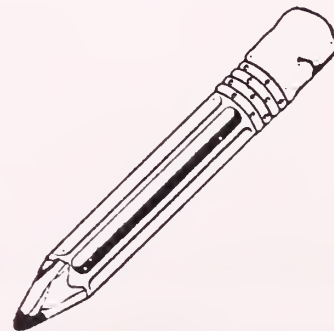
OTHER

Jeffery Austin presently lives in Mandeville, Louisiana.

Dr. W. Gordon Bennett is the president of Professional Counseling Associates, Inc., and has just been selected for Who's Who in American Education for 1990-91. A semi-retired educator, he is a life member of Phi Delta Kappa, Phi Epsilon Kappa, and past commander of the first College Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Louisiana. He presently lives in Orange County, California.

Johnnie Butler lives in Benton, Louisiana, with his wife, Helen.

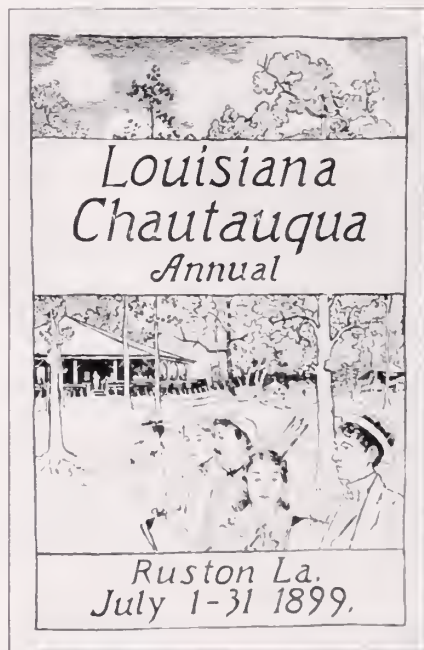
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Chautauqua, The Summer Alumni Event

Northwestern Alumni will have the opportunity to renew old acquaintances and visit the campus due to a new program developed by the Alumni center which will be called "Chautauqua, Return to the Hill." "The idea came from Dr. Graham (Dean of Academic Affairs)," said Dr. Coker, Director on Continuing Education. "Several schools have these programs in the east and have been very successful." The tradition of Chautauqua began in Chautauqua, N.Y., in 1874. The program was a system of summer-school and correspondence-school education awareness. Many people may recognize the term as referring to traveling groups, called Tent Chautauquas, which have no connection with the original educational movement. Rev. John G. Vincent, a Methodist clergyman, and Lewis Miller of Ohio began the program as an opportunity to give instruction to Sunday School teachers. After the first assembly in 1874, the movement quickly expanded to include a wider range of courses such as a school of languages, a school of theology and a school for teachers. Over the years universities have adopted the system and it has become a tradition at their campuses. Therefore, Northwestern decided to begin Chautauqua because of the

successful results from other universities. This was decided due to the fact that it has been many years since some alumni have been on campus and many alumni wish to renew old acquaintances. The events will be an open invitation for NSU alumni and their families. There will be three days of information, entertainment, and recreation for NSU alumni and their families.



The cover of the 1899 announcement catalogue.
(Melrose Collection-NSU Archives)

Summer Luncheon

The NSU Library Alumni Association will meet for their annual summer luncheon in the President's Room in the Student Union at NSU on July 10 at 12:00.

If you are a former Library Science student and are unable to attend the luncheon, send your name, address, and telephone number to Sherry Baumgardner who is compiling a mailing list of former NSU Library Science students.

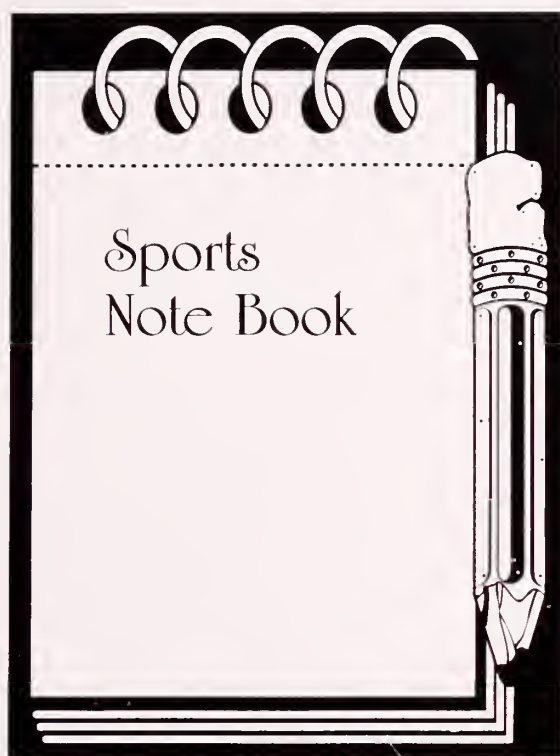
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Northwestern State alumni who pay their dues early for 1991-1992 will get more than just a thank you - they will also get something to brighten up their holiday season.



The first 1,500 NSU alumni to pay their dues will receive the First Edition Northwestern Alumni Ornament. A picture of the ornament will be included in the annual fund drive letter.

The Christmas tree ornament was designed by NSU art students Dana Boyt and Jeff Neely. Boyt and Neely were the winners of a contest to design the ornament. Elements of both of their works were combined into the ornament.



NIGHT AND DAY:



That's the difference second-year Coach Jim Wells has made in the Demons' long-dormant baseball program. Last year's remarkable 38-13 season was hardly a fluke. This year proves it.

Wells, who took over a program which hadn't experienced a winning season in 12 years, has Northwestern in contention for the NCAA Tournament — either as the recipient of the Southland conference champion's automatic bid or by receiving an at-large bid.

Just as they did last year, the Demons ranked among national leaders in team defense and team pitching. They've long since clinched their second straight winning record — and a couple of major milestones have fallen along the way.

Northwestern knocked off No. 1-ranked LSU in Baton Rouge in March, beating the Tigers 7-3. When LSU made a return visit to Natchitoches on April 9, a new Brown-Stroud attendance record was set (1,835), but the Tigers turned the tables on the Demons, winning 7-3.

SPEAKING OF SENSATIONAL: How about the Lady Demon softball program? Each year, under Coach Rickey McCalister, Northwestern just seems to get better and better — to the point that defeating nationally-ranked teams is not a novel experience.



The Lady Demons are in front in

the Southland Conference championship race while holding down, all season long, a ranking in the NCAA's South Region poll. The South Region covers all territory from Virginia to the Sabine River, so earning a No. 5 ranking is no small feat.

Alumni and Athletic Association support made possible Northwestern's trip to Chattanooga for the Frost Cutlery Classic, which featured all of the South Region's ranked teams, and some other nationally-regarded programs, in a 15-team field. The Lady Demons made it a worthwhile investment, rolling into the championship game unbeaten before a 2-1, 15-inning loss to Eastern Michigan. Three nationally-ranked teams took part in the tournament.

LINEUP CHANGES:

Welcome to a pair of newcomers to Northwestern's athletic department, academic advisor Donna Jones and assistant football coach Scott Maxfield.

Mrs. Jones was hired in February in a newly-created position to coordinate academic support services for our student-athletes. She will monitor academic progress of the student-athletes, ensuring that they are taking enough hours to be considered full-time students and she will keep them on track toward graduation while coordinating tutorial services. Previously, those duties fell in the hands of head coaches and the students themselves. Mrs. Jones' job is a critical position which will enhance the performance of our student-athletes in the classroom as well as on the playing fields.

Maxfield, 31, has replaced Scott McLaughlin on the Demon football staff. McLaughlin, son-in-law of all-time Demon great Charlie Tolar, is ending his coaching career in favor of law school at LSU. Maxfield comes to Northwestern from Northwest Mississippi Junior College and will handle the Demon defensive linemen. At Northwest Mississippi, Maxfield coached three nationally-ranked teams as the school compiled a 40-9-1 record in the last four seasons. He is a 1984 graduate of Louisiana Tech, where he was the Most Valuable Offensive Lineman for the Bulldogs' 1983 Division I-AA semifinalist squad.

With Maxfield's addition,

ninth-year Demon head coach Sam Goodwin changed a couple of coaching assignments. Defensive coordinator Benjy Pierce will handle the linebackers this season, with Maxfield taking over Pierce's group of defensive linemen. Last year's linebacker coach, Steve Mullins, will take charge of the offensive line. Mullins was offensive coordinator and offensive line coach in 1988-89 at Northwest Missouri and coached the leading rushing attack in NCAA Division II football in 1989.

Lady Demon assistant basketball coach Teresa Thompson is leaving her alma mater and moving to Ruston, where her husband John is an assistant football coach at Louisiana Tech. She served two seasons as assistant to James Smith and helped extend to 13 straight the streak of winning seasons by the Lady Demon basketball program.

BACK HOME AGAIN: Six-time All-American high jumper, Brian Brown, has returned to his alma mater this spring. Brown, who graduated from Northwestern last spring after winning the NCAA Indoor title with a jump of 7-feet, 8-inches, is serving as a volunteer assistant to head coach Leon Johnson. He is also training for competition on the international level during the late summer and early fall, his ultimate goal being the 1992 U.S. Olympic Trials.

KNOW THOSE RULES: Not a month goes by that we don't read in the sports section about some proposed NCAA legislation. Northwestern's man in charge of keeping up with NCAA rules and regulations is Compliance Coordinator Greg Sankey, who was hired last fall after a year as an administrative intern in the athletic department. Along with providing athletic, academic, and administrative staff with interpretations of NCAA bylaws, Sankey conducts regular workshops for staff members and coordinates reports on Northwestern's compliance to the NCAA. Sankey — who also is doing a tremendous job as the Demon golf coach (more later) — is the man to call if you have any questions about assisting current or prospective student-athletes. He can be reached at 318-357-4265.

RENO WOULD BE KEEN-O:

NOTE:
See reservation form on page 21.

If the charms of Lake Tahoe and the casinos in Reno carry some appeal, this fall is an excellent opportunity to make a visit. The Demon football team plays in Reno on Sept. 14, against Nevada, last year's Division I-AA runnerup. The Lady Demon basketball team plays in the Lady Wolfpack Classic in Reno Nov. 29-Dec. 1.

There's already a package trip set up for the football weekend. The rate (\$440 per person, double occupancy; \$565 for single rooms) includes air transportation, lodging and a game ticket. Fifty airline seats and 30 Bally's Hotel rooms are available. The group departs Shreveport on Thursday morning, Sept. 12 and returns Sunday evening, Sept. 15. For more information, call the athletic department at 318-357-5459.

OUT IN EL PASO:

NOTE:
See reservation form on page 21.

Plenty of fun, a chance to visit Mexico and enjoy the unique culture of El Paso while catching the Demon football team in action awaits on Sept. 21, thanks to another "Travel With the Demons" package. The rate (\$235 per person, double occupancy; \$280 for single rooms) includes air transportation, lodging and a game ticket. Thirty airline seats and 20 rooms are available. The group departs Shreveport Friday evening, Sept. 20, and returns Sunday evening, Sept. 22. For more info, call the athletic department at 318-357-5459.

BUT THEY ARE NICE PLACES TO VISIT:

When Tynes Hildebrand and Sam Goodwin put together the 1991 Demon football schedule, they didn't consult the Zero Population Growth quality of life study. The Demons open their season Sept. 7 at Jonesboro, Ark., against Arkansas State, then visit (see above) Reno for a Sept. 14 game against Nevada, and go to El Paso a week later to play Texas-El Paso.

The Zero Population Growth study has rated Reno and El Paso as two of the USA's seven least liveable cities, based on air, water quality, toxic releases, sewage treatment and population change. Just thought you'd like to know.

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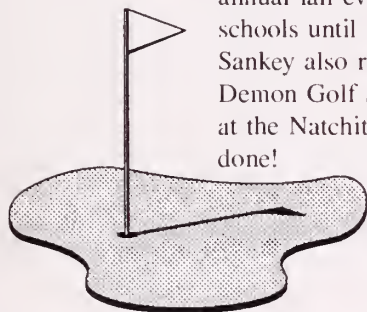
The NCAA recently published its first baseball/softball record book and Northwestern's Ginger Craig is prominently mentioned. Now a coach, teacher, and librarian at Martin High

School, Craig is the all-time NCAA Division I softball leader in home runs per game (0.17 average, 30 from 1985-88) and is second on the all-time career home run list (30). She ranks 14th in career slugging percentage (.559) and ninth in RBI (123).

DEMON GOLF TEAM ON THE RISE:

Constant improvement. That was Greg Sankey's goal in January of 1990 when athletic director Tynes Hildebrand handed him the reigns of a then-struggling Demon golf program. And that's exactly what has been accomplished, on and off the course. Most remarkable: the Demons have escaped the Southland Conference cellar. In 1990, they finished out of last place for the first time, coming in seventh in the eight-team field. This spring, they were fifth — ahead of in-state rivals Northeast Louisiana and McNeese State!

Meanwhile, Sankey is moving toward reinstituting the Louisiana Intercollegiate Classic, which was an annual fall event involving all state schools until its demise two years ago. Sankey also raised \$4,500 with the Demon Golf Scramble, held last Sept. 22 at the Natchitoches Country Club. Well done!



AUCTION ACTION:

It's just around the corner — Scholarship Auction '91, Saturday, August 24, Prather Coliseum.

More than 300 items will be up for bid in an event to generate funds for the Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund. The inaugural Scholarship Auction held two years ago raised \$26,000 for the endowment. The 1991 goal is to double that figure.

The Scholarship Auction is an elegant affair, complete with valet parking, roses for all women guests, a prime rib dinner and first-class fun and entertainment.

On the block: sensational goods and services, lavish vacation packages, entertainment bargains. In short, something for everyone.

Tickets are \$60 per couple. For details, call Greg Burke at 318-357-5251.

Where Are They Now...



Mike Brey as a Demon in 1977

Mike Brey certainly has the Midas touch.

The former Northwestern basketball point guard (1977-80) has ended his fourth year as an assistant college basketball coach with his fourth straight trip to the NCAA's Final Four — and a national championship.

Brey, 32, is an assistant to Duke University coach Mike Krzyzewski. He got his start in college basketball playing for Tynes Hildebrand's Demons in Prather Coliseum just a little more than a decade ago.

And what he learned in his three years as a Demon under Hildebrand continues to shape his life and his destiny, he says.

"The things I learned there and the people I met have everything to do with the good things that have happened to me," says Brey.

"The three years I spent at Northwestern were very important to me and left me with lots of very special memories," he says. "I had a neat time in Natchitoches and if there hadn't been a coaching change, who knows? I probably would have graduated from there, gotten a high school coaching job and been very happy."

But there was the coaching change. Hildebrand stepped down after the 1979-80 season. Brey didn't see eye-to-eye with new Demon coach Wayne Yates, so the Rockville, Md.,

native decided to head home and finish his college career at George Washington University.

Brey had come to Northwestern from the nation's top high school basketball program, DeMatha in Hyattsville, Md., where coach Morgan Wootten was the prep equivalent of UCLA legend John Wooden. After graduating from GWU in 1982, Brey took a job as an assistant coach under Wootten at DeMatha.

For five seasons, Brey helped the Stags compile a 139-22 overall record which included a No. 1 national ranking by USA Today in 1982-83.

Lots of talented players came through the DeMatha program. One of the best was Danny Ferry, and that's the connection that helped Brey wind up at Duke.

"Duke didn't miss a single game of Danny's in his senior year," Brey says. "Now, you can't do that (because of NCAA rules). You can only go to four."

While Duke coaches recruited Ferry, they got to know Brey. Then, one of the Duke assistants (Chuck Swenson) took a job as head coach at William & Mary and offered Brey an assistant's position.

"I was very interested," says Brey, "but the Duke job was open and I said, 'Morgan, I'm more interested in the Duke job if you think I'm ready.' He said, 'Mike, you're definitely ready.'"

Brey decided to stay at DeMatha and hope Krzyzewski looked his way. Thanks to some intervention from Wootten, that's exactly what happened. The Duke coach was impressed with Brey and liked the rapport Brey and Duke's other assistant, Bob Bender, had developed.



Mike today with his wife Tish, daughter Callie and son Kyle.

Krzyzewski didn't care that Brey had no collegiate coaching experience and was just 28 years old. His choice raised some eyebrows, but it has paid dividends.

"It doesn't really make much difference to me what heads were turned," said Krzyzewski the summer after he hired Brey. "The main thing was I felt Mike was perfect for what we're doing here at Duke."

The results are obvious.

"It's ironic. I've been in it four years, and I've been in four Final Fours," says Brey. "The year before I came, I'm an assistant at DeMatha and I went to the Final Four in New Orleans. I got a frequent flier ticket from a coaching buddy. I got game tickets from another guy, and I slept on a sofa or on the floor in another friend's hotel room."

"The next year, I'm coaching in the Final Four and people are calling me for tickets," he says.

But reaching the pinnacle of college basketball so quickly, and so often, isn't something Brey and his wife, Tish, ever take for granted.

"I remember being in the first one, and after we won the East Regional final up in the Meadowlands, turning to Tish and saying, 'Right now, we need to really enjoy this feeling. How lucky are we? Some people coach all their lives and never make it to the Final Four, and we're going in our first year.'"

"My God! I've been to four now, and every year, I get the same, wonderful feeling," says Brey. "You know better than to expect it," even if fans do.

Already, in the days following Duke's stunning upset of unbeaten, defending champion Nevada-Las Vegas and the championship game win over Kansas, Blue Devil fans and basketball experts were picking Duke to repeat as national champs in 1992.

"This is a young team, and naturally, you can't help but wonder if we can repeat. We talked to the guys about how to handle this. You've got to keep it in perspective. Our guys get treated very well anyway by fans and people, so you have to be concerned about how a young group will handle this kind of attention," says Brey.

How is Brey handling it? Smiling a lot helps. Going home to Tish and their two kids, 4-year-old Kyle and 1-year-old Callie, is fun.

"I get home and it's wild. If I

want to relax, I stay at the office. They meet me at the door and full court press from there," he laughs.

It's also enjoyable to visit with old friends and teammates from Northwestern.

Mike Fyler, a former Demon guard, has been to each of the Final Fours. Brey got him tickets this year.

Brey and Jim Hoops, a former Demon standout and Mr. NSU, stay in touch on a regular basis. Another ex-Demon, Jerry Lewis, visited with Brey at the Duke-Maryland game this year.

Once Brey gets rolling on his reminiscing, he doesn't stop. The names pour out ... Mike Greene ... Al Mathews ... Ed Tuohy ... Tommy Swacker ... Guy Charles ... Jim Wells ... Dan Bell ... and it's obvious he still has deep feeling for Northwestern.

"What has made this a real fun experience," says Brey, "is hearing from some of those guys."

His former coach, Hildebrand, sees Brey at each Final Four and they stay in touch.

"Coach Hildebrand obviously had a huge influence on my coaching career. People here look at where I've been and they think, 'Wow, what a pair of coaches he's worked for, Morgan Wootten and Mike Krzyzewski, both Hall of Fame coaches.' Well, what they don't know is Coach Hildebrand was just as big an influence on me and my career. I learned so much from him ... not so much X and Os as in how to handle people and do it the right way, to be good and honest and sincere."

"I've got a little boy now, and I guess the best way to express my feelings for Coach Hildebrand is to say that he's the kind of guy I would want my son to play for. Those three years at NSU with him were a tremendous influence on me," says Brey.

He's already looking forward to next season and a visit "back home" to Louisiana. Duke will play at LSU.

"I hope I can get together with Hoops. Maybe we can bring our wives down, round up a bunch of our Northwestern friends, and have a nice little reunion," he says. "Tish has never met many of these people, but she hears me talk about them and tell stories."

"She told me one day, 'Honey, you must really have loved it down there.'"

"And she was right."

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